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**LAPPÖHN - 3**

Transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application of Jürgen LAPPÖHN  
FOR: PLUG-IN CONNECTOR BETWEEN A CIRCUIT BOARD AND A BACK PLANE  
ENCLOSED ARE:

- ☒ Five (5) sheet(s) of formal drawing(s)  
☐ \_\_\_\_\_ sheet(s) of informal drawing(s)  
☐ an Assignment of the invention, with required cover sheet, to

- ☒ Priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119 for the following application(s):  
German Application Serial No. 102 39 575.6 filed August 23, 2002  
☐ a certified copy of the aforesaid application is enclosed.  
☒ a certified copy of the aforesaid application will be submitted in due course.  
☐ Associate Power of Attorney enclosed.

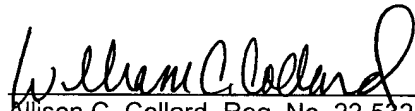
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| BASIC FEE (\$750)   |  |   |            |          |
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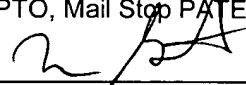
- ☒ Applicant claims Small Entity status.  
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